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Brent R. Sumsion
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Re: Acceptance of Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, W.W. Clyde & Company, Piute Dam Quarry, S/031/008, Piute County, Utah

Dear Mr. Sumsion:

Thank you for your Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations and initial \$150.00 permit application fee, received by the Division on October 29, 2002. The proposed Piute Dam Quarry Project is located in the E1/2 of the SE1/4 of Section 34, T28S, R3W, SLBM, Piute County, Utah. Because of a Memorandum of Agreement between this Division and the Utah Division of State History, we are required to notify them of any proposed mining projects in the state so they can check to see if there are any archaeological or historical concerns in the proposed mining area. We have not received any feedback from State History whether there are known archaeological or historical concerns in this area.

The application is considered complete and no additional information is required by the Division at this time. **You may commence with your mining operations as outlined, provided you have satisfied and received written acceptance from the Bureau of Land Management requirements or School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration. Please be advised that if you encounter any archaeological or historical concerns, you are to immediately cease operations and notify this office, the BLM, and State History of your find.**

A request for a variance to rule R647-3-109, to leave the highwall steeper than 1:1 is hereby approved. Your Notice provided sufficient information to demonstrate the proposed 3/4:1 slope will be stable and blend in with the surrounding terrain.

In accordance with rule R647-3-105 regarding the project location, the areas to be disturbed should be plotted on a map in sufficient detail so that they can be located on the ground. **It is also required that the operator mark the proposed (5 acre or less) disturbed area boundary (including access/haul roads) in the field with metal T-Posts (or with some other marker of equal effectiveness). Markers must be appropriately spaced so that the next marker in either direction is clearly visible with the naked eye.**

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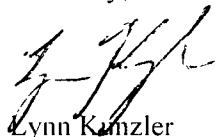
The acceptance of this notice is for a small mining operation only, **not to exceed five acres**. Should you wish to expand your operation beyond the five (5) acre limitation, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements. Approval of a large mining notice could take from six to twelve months or longer.

The Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975 [40-8-7(I)] provides the authority for fee implementation which was approved by the Utah Legislature at its 1998 session. Commencing July 1, 2002, and annually thereafter, the fees were increased to \$150.00 for small mining notices.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices," and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (SMO-1). Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices. Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,



Lynn Kanzler
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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Enclosure. SMO summary
cc Michael Jackson, BLM, Richfield FO
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